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LLOYD GEORGE NOW FREE TO VISIT AMERICA

With the Settlement of the Irish Question English Premier May Sojourn to This Country.

CANADA MAY SET PACE

New Free State in British Dominion Will Probably Follow the Lead of Older Province.

By DAVID LAWRENCE (Copyright 1921)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Peace between Ireland and England means, however, many things for the United States in the immediate future. It means a slow but sure withdrawal of the Irish question from American politics. It means a certain visit by Prime Minister Lloyd George to the United States, even if the issues of the Armistice Conference do not in themselves demand his presence. The opportunity it might give him for a triumphal entry to this country following upon the heels of the Irish peace is too good an occasion to miss, as British spokesmen here have felt for some time that Lloyd George ought to visit the United States and Canada because of the value such a trip might have upon the cementing of good relations between English-speaking peoples.

MRS. SCURLOCK GETS \$1,001 Suit Against Mrs. S. F. Church Is Decided Today.

Mrs. Minnie Scurlock, administratrix of the estate of Miss Eulalia Scurlock today received judgment entered on stipulation for \$1,001 against Mrs. S. F. Church. Mrs. Scurlock had brought suit in Circuit Court for \$10,000 alleging that Miss Scurlock's death was the result of being struck by an automobile driven by Mrs. Church at Christian College and Walnut streets in Columbia last July 25. A change of venue took the case to the Callaway County Court where the case was decided.

LARGE MEETING IS EXPECTED

Many Write Mr. Stephens They Will Attend Old Trails Association.

Since sending out the call for a meeting of the Old Trails Association for December 15, E. W. Stephens has received letters from Lafayette, Cooper, Callaway and Montgomery counties announcing their intentions of sending large delegations to Columbia for the occasion. There has not been time since the announcement for all the counties to be heard from, but letters probably will be received within a few days. According to Mr. Stephens, the meeting will make a vigorous presentation of the claims of the Old Trails road to the State Highway Commission.

This road is the connecting link in the trans-continental route and has been approved by the State Board of Agriculture as the cross-state highway. It was the pathway of pioneers and is a historic route through Missouri. Four-fifths of the state institutions of Missouri, including the University of Missouri, are located on this road, according to Mr. Stephens. In these institutions are many thousands of persons who would be benefited by the highway.

It is believed by Mr. Stephens that the building of the cross-state highway will do more for road building in Missouri than could be accomplished by scattering the \$60,000,000 of road money in different counties of the state on small sections of road. He said, "This road will invite thousands of tourists and will not only be a great means of communication between St. Louis and Kansas City, but will be of infinite value to towns and farms that lie along the route."

Among the Old Trails road boosters who have written Mr. Stephens that they will attend the Association meeting are Col. John Crograve and Col. J. T. Johnston of Booneville, E. N. Hopkins of Lexington, Howard Ellis of Montgomery City and J. L. Maugh of Fulton.

ATTENDANCE IS INCREASING

Junior Choir Makes Demonstration Advertising New Tabernacle.

Attendance at the Wilkes Boulevard Methodist revival, which is being held in the newly constructed tabernacle, is increasing every day, according to the Reverend A. B. Hobbs, manager of the revival meetings. "The False and the Truth" was the topic of last night's sermon, to which Mr. Crowe will speak on "The Man that Made Good."

Girls and boys who compose the junior choir went out last night during intermission cheering and boosting the tabernacle in the neighborhood of the church. The junior choir will invade the downtown district in automobile trucks next Saturday night.

Arrangements are being made to collect money Friday to buy flowers for the sick. Three services will be conducted Sunday, one of which will be a dedication ceremony for the new tabernacle.

Miss Martin Attends Meeting.

Miss Fannie Martin went to Jefferson City today to attend the annual district meeting of the thirty-first district of the Rebekah Lodge. Miss Martin is district secretary. All the state officers of the lodge will attend the meeting.

Two Marriage Licenses Issued.

Marriage license were issued today by J. L. Henry, county recorder, to Raymond Melvin Crighead of Hatton and Miss Elizabeth McGraw of Hatton and Stanley Berner of Browns Station and Miss Ada Pearl Wade of Columbia rural route No. 6.

J. H. Koch Dies in Texas.

A telegram has been received in Columbia announcing the death of J. H. Koch, formerly of this city but later of Dallas, Tex. Mr. Koch died Monday of Bright's disease, of which he had been a sufferer for several months.

FOUR NATIONS ACCEPT NEW NAVAL PLANS

Japan Agrees to Scrap Anglo-Japanese Alliance—An Agreement Will Be Signed Soon.

DELEGATES OPTIMISTIC

France Asks Right of Theoretical Navy Larger Than Japan's—Only Note of Discord.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—All the powers have accepted the new quadruple agreement to take the place of the Anglo-Japanese alliance it was learned on authority today.

The agreement will probably be signed soon, some of the delegates in Washington thought.

The agreement is now expected to be made public by Secretary Hughes almost immediately. It is understood the agreement contains a preamble and about five clauses.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—An official announcement that the Arms Limitation Conference is expected at any moment.

There were indications that assurances had come from Tokyo, accepting the Big Three program for the scrapping of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance and the substitution of a four power Pacific understanding with an agreement for the non-fortification of the Pacific Island naval bases.

An air of unusual optimism pervaded the delegates.

The only discordant note was a new demand from the French delegation to obtain for France the right to have a "theoretical" navy larger than that of Japan.

It was admitted that France cannot build such a navy, but said that "the nation's dignity" demanded the right.

In Chinese discussions indications were that recent friction had been eased.

Senator Borah in an interview demanded the revision of the Versailles Treaty as the only means of saving Europe from disaster.

HENRY B. FLOOD DROPS DEAD

Prominent in Democratic National Politics for Years.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Representative Henry B. Flood, Virginia, dropped dead at his home here today. Heart disease was given as the cause. Flood had been ill about a month.

For years Flood had been prominent in Democratic national politics, having served as chairman of the Democratic congressional campaign committee. He had been a member of Congress twenty-one years.

CHURCHES NOW PLAN BUDGETS

Amounts to Be Spent for Local and Mission Projects Are Outlined.

This is the time of year chosen by the churches to complete their plans for the coming year. The missions and local activities are worked out, and in most of the churches a detailed budget is made. This year each church has a definite amount indicated for expenses of the ensuing year. In most of them a distinction is made between the fund for local expenses and for missions.

The Christian Church has a total budget of a little over \$13,000, of which \$10,000 is for local expenses and the rest for missions. This does not include the budget of the Woman's Council which is about \$2,700, most of which is used for missionary work in Japan.

The present attempt at a united government originated at a conference at San Jose, Costa Rica, in January of this year. At that time four of the five Central American republics entered an agreement to form such a government. Nicaragua withdrew from the conference. Later the senate of Costa Rica refused to ratify the agreement, so only three republics, Guatemala, Honduras and Salvador proceeded with the plans. Opposition to the movement has developed in all three of the countries, one party, in particular, the "Separatists," giving especially strong opposition.

Tis party and those of similar beliefs are said to be undoubtedly the troublemakers in this instance.

Porter Chick Died Last Night.

Porter Chick, who lived on a farm near Columbia, died at the Parker Memorial Hospital at 8:30 o'clock last night. Mr. Chick was born in Missouri and was thirty-eight years old. An autopsy is being held over his body to ascertain the cause of his death. He will be buried at Nashville, Mo., tomorrow.

President Wood Goes to Dallas.

President James M. Wood, of Stephens College, returned from Birmingham, Ala., Tuesday morning where he transacted business for the college. He left yesterday noon for Dallas, Tex., where he will spend some time in doing work for the school.

VACCINATION FORMS TO BE ISSUED BY DOCTORS

Blanks Are Furnished to Those Who Wish to Leave Columbia for Holidays.

In order that students of the University and residents of Columbia, who intend to leave the city for the holidays, may be able to comply with the resolution adopted by the State Board of Health that all Missouri railroads and common carriers engaged in interstate traffic be ordered to require certificates of vaccination of all prospective passengers as a preventive of smallpox, Parker Memorial Hospital and some of the local doctors are having vaccination forms printed.

H. S. ALUMNI WILL BANQUET

Football Team to Be Honor Guests of the Occasion.

About ninety people are expected to attend the alumni banquet given for the football team of Columbia High School tomorrow night, according to Lawrence Sapp, who is in charge. Sixty-five tickets had been sold at noon today and it is expected that the remainder will be disposed of before tomorrow night.

Talks by Robert L. Hill, F. W. Niedermeyer and James Phelan will be features of the after dinner speaking.

W. I. Oliver, superintendent of the High School, will deliver the invocation at the beginning of the banquet. Other talks will be made by Miss Mary Gentry, Miss Sadie Stean, Coach T. F. Forester, Irmore Montgomery, James Armstrong, and Duane Turner. Miss Helen Richards will give a violin solo.

REVOLT MAY BE FROM UNION

Central American Republic May Be Cause of Uprising in Guatemala.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Estrada Cabrera, former president of Guatemala, who was imprisoned a year ago, by the government's overthrow on December 6, is now free, advisers here today stated.

The result of a revolt last Monday President Herrera, successor to Cabrera, was deposed and lodged in jail.

The recent formation of a united Central American republic is believed to have been one of the contributing causes of the revolution which occurred in Guatemala on December 5, advice concerning which was recently received by the State Department at Washington.

As a result of the revolution, President Herrera of Guatemala, and his cabinet, are in prison.

The administration which has just been overthrown took over the government in April 1920, following a revolution which lasted from January to April of that year and which culminated in the deposition of Estrada Cabrera, who for twenty-three years was president and practically dictator of Guatemala.

At that time, Herrera was chosen as president by the assembly and in the election which followed was elected for a four-year term.

The administration of President Herrera has been without marked incident until the present revolution. However, close students of Central American politics have felt that a government administered as Herrera has administered Guatemala might be easily overthrown because Herrera did not exercise the personal dictatorship that is often seen in Central America.

A coalition of Central American republics, which may be one of the causes of the present revolution, has been in the forefront of administrative affairs during the last few months.

This coalition of states into one large state has been the pious wish of a large number of Central Americans since 1821. When the present republics of Central America broke from Mexico, a state of this kind was formed but lasted only a few years. Since then, numerous attempts have been made to effect a union, but have always broken down before the formation of a new government.

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SINN FEIN CABINET MEET TO DISCUSS NEW TREATY

British Approval Provided for With Conversion of Sir Bonar Law to Cause.

DUBLIN, Dec. 8.—The first "showdown" on the Anglo-Irish peace treaty came today when the Sinn Fein cabinet met here to consider the agreement.

There were hints of opposition by the Sinn Fein irreconcilables who demanded a Republic and absolute separation from the British Empire, as the cabinet ministers gathered to discuss the treaty with President Eamonn De Valera.

By United Press. BELFAST, Dec. 8.—A party caucus of Unionist members of the Ulster Parliament was held here today to discuss the Anglo-Irish peace treaty.

Sir James Craig outlined the view of the Ulster cabinet, formulated from their review of the agreement.

By United Press. LONDON, Dec. 8.—A rising wave of British approval in the Irish settlement was believed to have swept aside all opposition and provided, almost unopposed, Parliament's ratification.

The opposition is said to have been broken when Sir Bonar Law, Unionist leader, was converted to the cause of speedy accord.

MISSING STUDENT IS FOUND

Boy Who Disappeared From Here 14 Months Ago, Located.

Joseph Holman, who mysteriously disappeared from the University in October, 1920, has been sent from Lexington, Ky., to his home in Huntsville, Mo., through the efforts of William H. Sears, a student at the University of Kentucky.

Holman left the University fourteen months ago and no trace was found of him until last Sunday, although he has been sought by detectives throughout the United States.

Last Sunday his father received a telegram saying that he was stranded in Lexington and was without funds. Mr. Holman wired Sears, through his parents, asking him to investigate the case for him.

Holman went to the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity house, where Sears lives, and received from him the money to return home.

Holman explained that he had left school because he was failing in his studies and was ashamed to return home. He had spent some time working in Pennsylvania, New York and Cincinnati, and had been for some months in the strike area of West Virginia, until he lost his job a month ago. His mother died during his absence.

Sears was a student at Missouri until last year.

NO WOMEN ON M. U. SENATE

Girls Elected by School of Education Replaced by Men.

Lindemann G. Plitt, senior, and Edwin H. Sangunt, junior, of the School of Education were elected December 6 to the Student Senate to take the place of two women senators who were rejected by that body.

The women were declared ineligible because the Student Senate is a disciplinary body which deals with men students only, the W. S. G. A. being the organization that deals with the discipline of women.

The School of Education, which is composed mostly of women, in electing the women proceeded, according to information in the Student Handbook, which does not specify that men only are eligible to the Student Senate.

Plans were also made at this meeting for a dance and mixer to be given after the holidays.

GOVERNMENT TO INTERVENE

Conciliators Ordered to Confer With Strikers and Packers.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The Labor Department today decided to intervene in the strike of packing employees in Chicago.

Two representatives of the bureau of conciliations have been ordered to confer "informally" with the packers and strikers tomorrow in Chicago in the hope of inducing them to settle the questions involved and ending rioting and other hostilities.

Checker Champion Is 11 Years Old.

The Chess and Checker Club of the University will meet at 7:30 next Monday in Room D of the Y. M. C. A. Building to elect officers and form a permanent organization. All those who are interested are invited to attend. Plans have been made for inter-university games as soon as Missouri can work up a team. At the present time Keith Todd, 11 years old, has succeeded in defeating many prospective Columbia champions at checkers.

Wants Packages Mailed Early.

Postmaster Pat Wood has received a notice from the Postmaster-General in Washington asking persons to mail Christmas packages this week in order to insure timely delivery and to relieve the mail congestion of holidays. Mr. Wood wishes people of Columbia and Boone County to comply with this request.

CENTRALIA TO HAVE \$50,000 WABASH DEPOT

New Structure to Be Built of Brick and Construction Will Start in the Spring.

STATION TO BE MODERN

Location Selected Is Few Feet South of Where the Present Building Stands.

The Wabash Railroad will erect a new depot at Centralia to be learned from reliable authority today. An appropriation of \$50,000 for the erection of the new building has been allowed and construction will start in the spring.

The new depot will be built of brick and will be erected a few feet south of where the old depot now stands. The main line tracks will be on the north side of the depot and the Columbia branch tracks will lie on the opposite or south side. The station will have a platform on both sides and its position will have a great advantage over the present one since in changing from one line to another it will be unnecessary to walk across any tracks.

The new building will be modern in every detail containing all modern improvements. Since the project of a new depot is not a new one in Centralia, several plans have already been drawn but an entire new plan will be made for the depot in which there will be several important changes. The present depot will be moved to the east of its present location and used as a freight depot.

PROF. HASEMAN TO MEETING

He Will Attend Conference of Scientific Workers in Toronto.

Prof. Leonard Haseman, chairman of the department of entomology, will attend the convention of scientific workers to be held in Toronto, Canada, late in December. The main purpose of this gathering, according to Professor Haseman, is to make plans for the eradication of the European corn borer which is proving a great menace to the corn crops of North America.

A conference of insect workers was held in Washington in October for the same purpose.

SERVICES HELD THIS MORNING

Funeral of Mrs. Nancy Ross Wilson Conducted by W. M. Haushalter.

The funeral services of Mrs. Nancy Ross Wilson, who died at her home at 11 West Broadway, were conducted by the Rev. Walter M. Haushalter at the home at 11 o'clock this morning. The pallbearers were: Judge J. F. Rowland, J. M. Batterton, F. F. Davis, F. H. Russell, W. P. Boswell and Dr. Lloyd Simpson.

RAILWAY RATES MAY BE CUT

Interstate Commerce Commission Reports Railroad Improvement.

By JAMES T. KOLBERT. (United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Lower railroad rates in the near future were foreseen by the Interstate Commerce Commission today in its annual report to Congress.

After a general declaration that the railroad situation is showing steady improvement the commission said:

"We are hopeful that with an improvement in the volume of traffic and with a further adjustment of operating costs in harmony with prevailing tendencies, substantially lower level of rates and fares will be compatible with the rule of rate-making which has been prescribed by Congress and at the same time permit an account maintenance of the properties."

This is taken to mean a general reduction in rates will follow the comprehensive rate inquiry now in progress under the direction of the commission. The cut is expected to come early next year.

The report reveals that the railroads have dropped from their payrolls a half million employees within the last year. This has greatly aided the railroads in making a financial recovery.

In addition the report said:

"With the reduction in the level of wages effective as of July 1, 1921, net earnings in July, August and September 1921, again showed substantial increase, although not reaching a rate of six percent on the value of rail properties so determined for the United States as a whole."

Junior Prom to Be Revived.

Prewitt Turner was elected president of the junior class at the election held yesterday afternoon. The rest of the officers elected are as follows: Leon Gorder, vice-president; Leon Leeds, secretary; Edward E. Dittmer, treasurer; Miss Jane Taylor, sergeant-at-arms. The annual Junior Prom is to be revived by these officers.

R. F. Lewis to Move to St. Louis.

R. F. Lewis and family, Dumas Apartments, will leave soon for St. Louis where they will make their home. Mr. Lewis represents the Burroughs Adding Machine Co. and has been promoted to the St. Louis office.

THE WEATHER

For Columbia and vicinity: Fair tonight and Friday; continued moderately cold, but with rising temperature Friday afternoon; lowest temperature tonight about 26.

For Missouri: Fair tonight and Friday, rising temperature Friday afternoon. Shippers' forecast: Within a radius of 200 miles of Columbia the lowest temperature during the next 36 hours will be 28 west; 24 north; 30 east, and 28 south.

A moderate atmospheric depression has moved from Texas to Louisiana. It has given cloudy weather north to Missouri, and from Texas to Alabama. The resulting precipitation has been light, except a heavy fall of rain at Galveston. Clear skies prevail this morning in most of the Rocky Mountain region, upper Plains, and upper Central valleys. The high pressure is drifting southeast, and the weather in Texas is rather cold for those latitudes, but in other sections of the country temperatures approximate the seasonal averages.

The main traveled highways are rough in spots and soft in a few low places, but otherwise fair to good. Fair weather is the outlook for over Friday.

The highest temperature in Columbia yesterday was 45 degrees; and the lowest last night was 35 degrees. Precipitation 0.00. A year ago yesterday the highest temperature was 39 degrees and the lowest was 30 degrees. Precipitation 0.00. Sun rose today 7:16 a. m. Sun sets 4:47 p. m. Moon sets 12:33 a. m.

CORN CAMPAIGN IS EXTENDED

Letters From Headquarters Inform F. H. Russell—Quota Can Now Be Raised.

The Near East Relief grain campaign in Missouri has been extended to Christmas Day, according to a letter received yesterday from the St. Louis headquarters of the state drive by F. H. Russell, chairman of the Boone County committee.

The reason for the extension of time was given as the bad weather, which has made it difficult for the farmers in many sections to bring their corn into town.

"This will give Boone County farmers a chance to raise their quota of three carloads," said Mr. Russell. "If the campaign had ended Monday, it is likely that we would have fallen below our quota. If the weather will only clear up for a while, we may be sure of good returns."

"The Everett District School offers an example of what is happening all over the county. It has collected its quota of corn, but cannot deliver it to one of the depositories because of the muddy roads. In some districts they are selling the corn gathered, and sending in the money to us. When the corn cannot be delivered, this is the thing to do."

Mr. Russell received a check yesterday from the Christian Sunday School at Hartsburg for \$9.52. A number of Sunday schools are now giving part of their offering to the Near East Relief. The idea originated at the Oliver Church at Harg.

The Hartsburg District School sent in a check yesterday for \$7.54. The money was raised by a sale of the corn collected by the school children.

Mr. Russell received a letter yesterday from the teacher of the Clark District School Number 7, saying that the school had delivered its quota of 35 bushels of corn, and \$6.15, to the elevator at Sturgeon.

MONEY AND CLERK MISSING

Centralia Girl in Letter Says She Has Gone With Bank Employee.

A former Centralia man, at one time employed in a bank there, and since then employed in the Bank of Thompson, has disappeared, according to reports received in Centralia, leaving a letter saying that he had transferred some of the funds of the Bank of Thompson and would be back in several years to make good.

It is reported that he left in the company of the daughter of a Centralia woman. The girl is said to have left a letter saying that she was going away with the man.

The man leaves a wife and child. He worked in Centralia for about four years before going to Thompson. He was last seen in Mexico Saturday night. Thompson is a small town near Mexico.

A state bank examiner arrived in Thompson yesterday to make an examination of the bank's books. It probably will be several days before the result of the audit is known. The bank has been organized about a year but according to its president, it will be injured in no way.

Funeral of Mrs. Zaring Held.

Funeral services for Mrs. Martha J. Zaring, 1517 Paris road, who died Tuesday night, were held at her home at 10 o'clock today. The Rev. W. O. Shewmaker conducted the services. Robert McKimpton, John Zaring, Ben Zaring, Clarence Ballenger, and Will Ballenger, all grandsons of Mrs. Zaring, were pall bearers.

Howat's Expulsion Upheld by Union.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. Dec. 8.—The executive board of the United Mine Workers today sustained the action of John L. Lewis, president, and associate officials, in expelling Alexander Howat, insurgent president of the Kansas union district, and his followers from the union.

MRS. V. BARTH, 66 YEARS OLD, DIES AT HOME

Pioneer of Boone County Succumbs to Complication of Diseases After Five Years' Illness.

BURIAL 2:30 TOMORROW

Many Needy Benefitted by Her Generosity During Her Long Residence in Columbia.

Mrs. Victor Barth died at 7:45 o'clock last night at her home, 1221 East Broadway. Mrs. Barth had been suffering from a diabetic condition and complications for five years, and had been critically ill the last four months.

She is survived by one son, former Judge Irvin V. Barth, St. Louis; two brothers, Joseph A. Barth and Isadore Barth, manager of the Victor Barth Clothing Company, both of Columbia; two sisters, Miss Carrie A. Barth, who was with Mrs. Barth during her serious illness, and Mrs. Henry Haefler, New York; and a nephew, Paul A. Barth, who has always lived with the family and is now connected with the Victor Barth Clothing Company.

The funeral will be preached at 2:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon by Rabbi Samuel Sales of St. Louis. The services will be held at the home and burial will be in the Columbia Cemetery. Friends and relatives from St. Louis, Kansas City and surrounding towns will attend the funeral. Judge Barth is here now and Mrs. Haefler is expected to arrive from New York today.

Mrs. Barth formerly Miss Nettie A. Barth, was born in Fayette, Mo., December 21, 1855, and at the time of her death was nearly 66 years old. Shortly after her birth, the family moved to Rocheport where she lived until her marriage with Victor Barth August 23, 1876, after which she moved to Columbia. She had lived here since that time, and she and her husband, as pioneers of the county, were closely connected with all activities in its development. Her husband, founder of the Victor Barth Clothing Company, died in 1909.

"Mrs. Barth has been connected with everything good that has been undertaken by the town since she came here, said one of her neighbors. She was one of the most liberal contributors to the funds of the Charity Organization Society and personally did extensive work for the poor. She had the reputation of never having turned a suppliant away from her door. Every year she went to the store and packed large boxes of clothing and other things needed to give to the poor. Her charity was never performed ostensibly but in a quiet, humble manner and many of the poor in and around Columbia will be grieved by the loss of their friend and helper."

DAN M. McGUIRE IS DEAD

Former Student Was Member of Dana Press Club.

By United Press. JOHNSTOWN, Pa., Dec. 8.—Dan Middleton McGuire, 31 years old, telegraph editor of the Johnstown Tribune died last night from dilation of the heart and anemia, due to the war. McGuire was a native of Jackson, Mo., and a former student of the School of Journalism of the University of Missouri.

Dan Middleton McGuire was a student in the School of Journalism of the University of Missouri from 1908 until 1912. He was a member of the Dana Press Club.

SENATOR MAKES AFFIDAVIT

Watson Charges That 12 American Soldiers Were H